VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE : (*a*) Yes.

(*b*) Increase in the number of cured cases cannot always be expected. The decrease, which, after all, is not large for the whole State, is due to various causes.

MR. MURUKUMPUZHA V. KUNJUKRISHNAN: With reference to the answer to part (*b*) of the question, may I know at least the main reason for such a fall in the percentage of patients cured

VAIDYASASTRAKUSALA DR. (MRS.) M. POONEN LUKOSE: Sir, one has to be in a position to appreciate the kind of cases that are operated upon to be able to say whether such cases could be cured or not. Some cases may come into Hospital at the very last stage. Some cases may be such as could not be cured, but for which only relief could be given. There are very many cases in regard to which only medical man can understand the reasons why such diseases could not be cured.

Grant-in-aid to Visha Vaidyam in the Kunnatnad taluk.

290. *MR. K. P. KOCHUKORA THARAKAN : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Ayurveda Department is giving grant-in-aid to any one for *Visha Vaidyam* in the Kunnatnad taluk; and

(*b*) if so, whether they will be pleased to lay on the table a statement giving details on the following points :

(1) the persons to whom grant-in-aid is allowed;

(2) in what all pakuthies ; and

(3) the amount of grant given to each of them?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : (*a*) No.

(*b*) (1), (2) and (3) In view of the answer to part (*a*), these questions do not arise.

Recognised Ayurvedic Dispensaries in the Neyyattinkara taluk.

291. * MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Tovala* cum *Agastisvaram*): Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) the number of recognised Ayurvedic Dispensaries in the Neyyattinkara taluk with the dates of their recognition ; and

(*b*) whether they will be pleased to lay on the table the names of the *Vaidyans*?

MR. G. NARAYANAN TAMPI : (*a*) and (*b*) A statement showing the number of recognised Ayurvedic Dispensaries in the Neyyattinkara taluk with the names of the *Vaidyans* thereof and the dates of their recognition is laid on the table.

Statement, by caste, of the nurse volunteers and the warder volunteers in the Medical Department.

292 *MR. T. T. KESAVAN SASTRI : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the nurse volunteers and the warder volunteers in the Medical Department?

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